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Mr. William G. Reidy Committee on Labor and Public Welfare United States Senate Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Reidy:

Thank you for your letter of December 27, 1955.

You have thoughtfully raised an important question concerning the desirability of setting forth specific assignments in a bill creating a National Medical Library. You are certainly correct in pointing out the possibility that in time and with new developments in medicine as well as in communications such objectives as desired now may become obsolete. Your experience and judgment in these matters are readily apparent and I am inclined to follow your suggestions on how best to attain the objectives we are seeking.

Thank you again for your interest and help in a matter which, intangible as it may be, is of great significance to our country.

My best wishes for a Happy New Year.

Sincerely yours,

Michael E. De Bakey, M./D Chairman, Department of

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